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SUBJECT: NIGER TRUCKS

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1. IN SEPTEMBER 6 OUTDOOR CEREMONY AMBASSADOR TURNED OVER TO GON EIGHT HEAVY-DUTY CROSS-COUNTRY TRUCKS TO BE USED PRIMARILY TO TRANSPORT RELIEF SUPPLIES TO ISOLATED AREAS OF NIGER. FIVE OF TRUCKS WERE SIX-WHEEL DRIVE BERLIET VEHICLES PURCHASED IN MOROCCO WHICH MADE TRIP FROM RABAT TO AGADEZ IN EIGHT DAYS WHICH MUST BE SOME KIND OF RECORD. OTHER THREE TRUCKS WERE FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE MERCEDES PURCHASED LOCALLY.

2. IN TURNOVER REMARKS AMBASSADOR NOTED THAT DONATION OF TRUCKS WAS INTERNATIONAL COOPERATIVE EFFORT WITH TRUCKS BEING GIFT OF AMERICAN PEOPLE, AND WITH TRANSPORT AND OPERATION COSTS FOR VEHICLES BEING MET BY FAO/OSRO. COOPERATION OF MOROCCAN AND  
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ALGERIAN GOVERNMENTS ALSO FACILITATED TRANSFER OF VEHICLES TO NIGER. MINISTER OF RURAL ECONOMY, CAPTAIN ALI SAIBOU RECEIVED

TRUCKS ON BEHALF OF GON AND EXPRESSED GON'S DEEP GRATITUDE FOR GIFT. HE SAID TRUCKS WOULD BE PUT TO WORK IMMEDIATELY LIFTING GRAINS TO ISOLATED AREAS WHICH EVEN FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE TRUCKS COULD NOT REACH AFTER HEAVY RAINFALL.

3. FAO/OSRO HAS TAKEN OPTION ON ADDITIONAL FOUR BERLIET TRUCKS WITH DELIVERY EXPECTED IN OCTOBER. WHEN ALL NINE BERLIET TRUCKS ARE ON HAND, GON WILL HAVE SIGNIFICANT ADDITION TO ITS FLEET OF HEAVY-DUTY VEHICLES. COMMENT: SEPTEMBER 6 CEREMONY MARKS HAPPY END TO OUR EFFORTS INITIATED IN MAY TO STRENGTHEN GON'S CAPABILITIES TO MOVE RELIEF SUPPLIES TO REMOTE AREAS. OUR ONLY REGRET IS THAT TRUCKS DID NOT ARRIVE SOONER AND THAT THEY WERE NOT OF AMERICAN MANUFACTURE.HECK

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